

REPORT

*Of the Selectmen of the Town of Sanbornton, for the year ending
March 1, 1856 :*

The Selectmen charge themselves with the following items, viz:—

March 15, 1855.

Cash in the treasury,	1247,20
Tax committed to the collectors,	6061,73
Paid railroad tax,	448,68
Literary fund,	165,53
E. R. Eastman, back tax,	18,94
Joseph L. Conner, back tax,	83,27
Jonathan Sanborn, 3d,	96,43
Town of Whitefield,	16,00
County paupers,	8,25
Elizabeth Eastman, by note,	75,00
Town of Weare for Cross girl,	21,00
John Hodge, rent of land,	3,33
Daniel Sanborn, paid note,	27,50
School District No. 16,	14,00
Fund interest,	129,56
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	\$8416,42

Which is accounted for as follows:—

Paid outstanding bills.

Paid Jacob Copp as constable, 1854,	4,00
James F. Sanborn School money, 1852-3,	13,26
Jaques & Taylor as Committee, 1854,	4,00
Auditors' bill, 1854,	3,00
J. Q. A. Ware, for books,	,73
B. T. Brown as Selectman, 1854,	6,00
N. B. Brown " "	3,00
Wm. S. Woodman, " "	3,00
Abel W. Brown, Selectmen's board, 1854,	9,00
J. C. Silver, care of Town House, "	1,75
Dr. C. K. Kelly, for J. Wells,	7,75
Wm. Jones as auditor, 1853,	1,00
Richard Caverly on road, 1854,	2,00
Peter Copp, as Constable,	4,00
Isaac Smith, "	3,00
Baldwin & Farrington, printing report, 1854,	14,00
B. M. Durgin, on Bridge,	,58
Jacob Bamford, Constable,	3,00
N. G. Ladd, for Wm. Stockdale,	6,00
" small pox cases,	5,00
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	\$94,07

Current Expenses.

Paid J. P. Morrison, notifying officers,	8,00
Daniels & Bradbury for stationary,	1,20
Thomas R. Mead, tax refunded,	1,50
Demick & Currier, stationary,	,30
Selectmen's expense taking-invoice,	4,00



Paid Oliver Knowlton, for board and committee,	1,25
J. P. Tilton, Selectmen's board,	1,50
Wm. W. Whicher, on trust as agent,	100,00
J. S. Durrell, for affidavit,	,34
Samuel G. Morrison, agent running land,	5,00
J. C. Moulton, stationary,	2,50
Teachers' Institute,	40,74
Expense on county pauper,	1,25
Insurance Company,	4,11
J. S. Durrell, tax refunded,	3,50
County tax,	989,16
State tax,	543,20
E. F. Odell expense to Meredith Village,	,75
John S. Sanborn, for collecting taxes,	30,00
D. C. Burleigh enrolling militia,	2,00
Emerson Giles for wood,	2,42
D. S. Clay, enrolling militia,	2,00
J. B. Philbrook, committee on roads,	2,00
J. P. B. Sanborn, tax refunded,	1,68
Insane Asylum, for John Gould,	17,25
Horace Sanborn, Town Clerk,	34,48
" Record book,	4,00
" Express bill,	,13
Morrill and Silsby, stationary,	,87
Wadleigh Cram's tax refunded,	1,68
B. M. Colby, committee on road,	2,00

\$1808,81

Richard Colby as Selectman,	49,50
" Overseer of the poor,	11,50
" on roads and bridges,	14,00
" horse and carriage and expense out of town,	11,60
Austin Pike, for counsel,	1,00
M. L. Abbott, interest on note,	1,00
John Eaton, breaking sleigh,	,50
H. A. Lane for work	,25
Richard Colby, stationary, & use of plow,	3,42
B. M. Durgin as Selectman,	49,50
" overseer of the poor,	11,00
" on roads and bridges,	14,00
" horse, carriage and expense out of town,	17,70
E. F. Odell as Selectman,	55,00
" overseer of the poor,	13,00
" roads and brldges,	10,00
" Fund Treasurer,	10,00
" horse and carriage out of town,	8,00
C. R. Heath Selectmen's board and horse keeping,	38,00
James Boutwell, superintending Schools,	36,50
C. K. Kelly,	"
J. Q. A. Ware,	"
H. T. Hale as Collector,	23,00
Wm. M. Durgin, as Collector,	25 00
H. T. Hale enrolling militia,	1,00
W. M. Durgin on road,	,50

\$2277,22

Paid on Roads and Bridges.

Paid Josiah Herbert on road,	\$3,00
Noah B. Brown on road,	8,00
James Clark, Surveyor,	1,50
Carr Huse, Surveyor,	1,00
Folsom Morrill for plank,	3,91
Jeremiah Levitt on road,	13,33
J. E. Beaton for plank,	1,10
J. B. Batchelder on Bridges,	33,55
Wm. S. Woodman on road,	16,00
B. H. Smith on Bridges,	22,21
Sylvester Brown on road,	4,67
Ira Woodman on road,	7,00
D. R. Caverly on road,	.67
Ebenezer Brown on road.	29,28
Moses P. Piper for plank,	6,84
D. L. Morrison on road,	1,75
Zebulon Smith land damage,	30,00
Wm. H. Sanders on road,	1,60
Moses Clark on road,	12,72
Asa P. Cate land damage,	34,00
Taylor C. Prescott for plank,	1,65
Mark P. Thompson on road,	8,00
Enoch Brown land damage,	30,00
Horace Eaton on road,	1,50
Josiah Osgood on road,	4,00
Taylor C. Prescott land damage,	50,00
J. S. Sanborn on road,	2,00
Samuel Cutler on road,	5,00
Thomas C. Buswell on road,	1,50
P. C. Shaw, building,	45,00
Hannah Page land damage,	16,00
John Hodge on road	7,25
John Hammon on road	1,00
John Page land damage	32,00
Kensley H. Batchelder on road	4,00
Joseph Wiggin on road	11,85
Hugh Pike on Bridge	21,50
D. R. Caverly on road	2,00
Moses Leighton on road	3,00
Jonathan Cawley on road	6,78
A. M. Baker on road	1,50
Benjamin B. Dearborn land damage	65,00
Mark Baker land damage	14,00
Richard Caverly on road	3,00
H. Q. Dalton on road	1,00
Hilory Knox for plank	1,90
P. C. Shaw for plank	3,00
Jacob Copp on Bridge	14,61
Nathan F. Wyatt on Bridge	11,63
Moses Clark jr lumber and work	29,20
Joseph Lougee on road	4,00
L. A. Colby on road	2,80

Paid Josiah Sawyer on Bridge	2,50
M. H. Philbrook on road	4,62
Jacob B. Philbrook on road	2,00
Noah Shute on road	2,00
James M. Copp on Bridge	8,87
Frank Dennis on Bridge	2,50
Samuel Calef on Bridge	6,00
Andrew Philbrook on Bridge	2,50
Daniel B. Sanborn on road	3,00
Taylor D. Clark on Bridge	2,50
E. S. Veasey for lumber	50,00
Moses C. Philbrook on Bridge	4,50
B. F. Smith for plank	5,86
Cyrus Lord on Bridge	2,15
Nathaniel Gilman on road	2,25
B. M. Durgin for nails and spike	.77
Andrew Woodman for Surveying	.75
E. S. Veasey for lumber and labor	58,82
Folsom Morrill land damage	7,00
Joseph W. Blake on road	2,50
	808,89

For External Poor.

Paid Wm. B. Thompson for his support	\$5,00
C. W. & R. K. Parker for Elisha Chapman	5,00
Daniel R. Cavey for S. Caverly	50,00
H. Calef for clothing	2,52
Elisha Chapman for his support	5,36
R. Fellows for Moses Pike	1,75
N. B. Brown for J. T. Davis	5,00
B. H. Colby for B T Blodgett	7,50
Isaac C Smith for T C Smith	10,00
Dr Tibbets for T C Smith	6,00
George W Hunkins for Mrs Call	12,00
Jacob Odell for Emma J Cross	5,00
Joseph Thomas for Emma J Cross	22,00
John P Taylor for J T Davis	15,93
Ebenezer Chase for John Chase	30,00
Daniel R Caverly for S Caverly	15,00
Alfred Hanaford for Moses Ash	3,00
A S Judkins for Jane T Davis	3,80
John Carr for B Page	4,43
John Carr for Jane T Davis	10,77
Simeon Taylor for E Chapman	3,67
J B Philbrook for E Chapman	1,50
Demick and Currier for E Chapman	4,77
Nancy Smith for Jane T Davis	3,50
Town of Woodstock for J P Sawyer	15,00
	248,50

Recapitulation.

The amount of money received by the Selectmen, for the year ending March 1, 1856.	\$8416.42
Amount of outstanding bills,	94,07
Current expenses,	2277.22
Roads and bridges,	808.89
External poor	248.50
Support of Schools	1,699.28
Several religious societies	160.34
School-house tax	377.45
Notes due from the town	533.48
Alms House	782.10
Abatement of taxes	84.89
Taxes uncollected	483.70
Cash in the Treasury	866.50
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	\$8416.42

Respectfully submitted,

E. F. ODELL,	{	Selectmen
B. M. DURGIN,		of
RICHARD CALLEY,		Sanbornton.

The undersigned have carefully examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched,

NOAH B. BROWN,	{	Auditors.
HOMER W. PERKINS,		
A. W. SANBORN,		

Debts due from the Town.

Note to Thomas Eastman 1855 renewed	141.70
Jennett Eastman "	326.00
Jonathan H. Taylor, 1851	300.00
John Carr "	100.98
Elizabeth Eastman, 1852	100.00
" 1855	75.00
Mary Hoit 1853	175.00
Interest due on the above notes	76.50
Due for land damage and outstanding bills	150.00
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	\$1445.18

Claims due the Town.

E M Eastman back tax	49.81	Eight Shares B. C. & M. Rail-
J L Conner "	110.07	road Stock 104.00
C J Conner "	50.00	Railroad Script and interest
H T Hale " good	113.41	on 38 Shares at present value 7.50
H T Hale " doubtful	46.50	W W Whicher retailer of
J S Sanborn " good	158.65	spirits 100.00
J S Sanborn " doubtful	59.38	Cash in the treasury 866.50
W M Durgin " good	60.87	
W M Durgin " doubtful	34.89	
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		1761.50

E. F. ODELL,	{	Selectmen
B. M. DURGIN,		of
RICHARD CALLEY,		Sanbornton.

Overseers' Report.

Paid for provisions and other Necessaries at Alms House	476,85
Labor and other expenses aside from the ordinary expenses of the poor	100,00
Support of preaching	5,00
Superintendent	185,00
Medical Attendance	15,25
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	782,10

Invoice of property at the Almshouse.

4 Oxen	240,00	3	" soap	10,00
2 Steers	55,00	5	gal molasses	2,20
4 Cows	120,00	25	lbs tallow	3,12
13 Sheep	39,00	20	" candles	3,33
1 Horse	125,00	55	" lard	7,70
4 Shoats	40,00	40	" butter	8,80
16 Tons of hay	192,00	50	" soap grease	2,00
4 Bushels of meal	5,00	7	" salt fish	28
40 " of corn	50,00	90	" dried apples	4,50
37 " of wheat	92,50	23	" sole leather	5,75
3 1/2 " beans	8,00	2	" tobacco	50
4 bbl pork	112,00	3	" tea	1,00
5 " beef	80,00	3	" sugar	27
2 " vinegar	8,00	21	yds flannel	7,00
4 " cider	6,00			

E. F. ODELL,
B. M. DURGIN,
RICHARD CALLEY, } Overseers
of
the Poor.

Schedule of Farming tools at the Almshouse.

2 Waggons, 2 Harnesses, 2 Buffalo Robes, 2 Sets of wheels and Carts,
 5 Plows, 2 Harrows, 1 Cultivator, 3 Ox Yokes & bows, 6 Chains, 2 Sythes
 & Snaths, 4 Rakes, 3 Hay Forks, 3 Muck Forks, 1 M Puller, 3 Hoes,
 1 Crowbar, 5 Axes, 2 Ox Sleds, 1 Grind Stone, 3 Shovels, 1 Grain Cradle,
 1 Beetle, 5 Iron Wedges, 1 Pick, 4 Saws, 2 Chisels, 2 Augers, 3 Planes,
 1 Wheelbarrow, 1 Whiffletree, 1 Horse Rake, 1 Frow, 4 Shaves, 1 Sleigh,
 1 Pair Pincers, 1 Curry Comb & Brush.

Names and ages of Paupers at the Alms-House.

MALES.		FEMALES.		
Hazen Durgin	69		Nancy Copp	71
Barnard Hoit	70		Hannah Tilton	66
John Steel	53		Apha Gilman	65
Charles Thompson	42		Hannah Marsten	47
Laruhama Pearson	73		Betsey Ellsworth	44
			Mary Lord	27

REPORT

OF THE SUPERINTENDING COMMITTEE.

The Committee for Superintending Schools in presenting their Report would mention first, *the harmony* which has generally prevailed in the schools between teachers and pupils. There have been but few instances of insubordination on the part of scholars, and none of such flagrant character as to require expulsion. The schools have generally been kept with profit. Some of them have made a great degree of progress.

In some of the districts an evil exists that demands an immediate remedy on the part of parents, viz: *irregularity and tardiness* in the attendance of the scholars. In one district during the winter term of nine weeks, the whole number of scholars was 30; the average attendance was 27; the whole number of marks for tardiness was 359. In contrast with this we would mention that in another district adjoining the one just spoken of there was a school of 43 scholars, continued ten weeks with an average attendance of 35; and the whole number of marks for tardiness was only 30. The first mentioned school was kept by one of our best teachers, and the great loss sustained by the scholars from such irregularity, must be too manifest to need comment.

There is also a *general indifference to the schools*, and a neglect to visit them on the part of parents. Unless teachers have the active interest and co-operation of parents in securing regular and punctual attendance and necessary discipline, a large measure of the benefits of their labors will be lost. Many teachers make no report of any visit to their school from either the prudential committee or citizens in the district. Where workmen are hired to perform other kinds of labor, their manner of performing it is carefully inspected. Are not the labors of school teachers for the intellectual and moral training of our youth worthy of an equal share of attention? No one would be likely to expend fifty or a hundred dollars upon his buildings or in the improvement of his farm without giving personal attention to the work. It would appear then that he ought to take some pains to ascertain how his money is expended for the education of his children.

In connection with this, the committee feel constrained to refer to the *condition of the school houses*. There are some that may be called good school houses; but the majority of the school houses in town are so ill-constructed and out of repair as to be unfit for school purposes. There is such an unequal distribution of heated air as we should expect to find in a house intended to set the laws of physical organization at defiance, and manufacture fevers and consumptions for our children. The character of some of our schools can be but little improved until better houses are provided. The money expended in some of them is in the estimation of the committee but little better than thrown away.

Many of our school houses are *deficient in blackboards*. There may be one or two small boards suspended by the wall, but in many instances they are too small to be of much practical value. We need not stop to argue their utility; it is too well established for successful cavil. It is sufficient to state that, other things being equal, the best progress is made where there is a frequent use of the blackboard.

Many districts in the state, but none in town we believe, are supplied with *outline maps*. Where the most prominent points in physical geography are brought before the pupil as they are in the large outline maps, he obtains clear and well defined ideas of the form and locality of the various countries and bodies of water on the surface of the earth. The way is thus prepared to test and render permanent the scholar's knowledge of geography by requiring him to draw and cypher upon the black board from memory, maps of the various portions of the earth.

Some of our schools appear to be conducted upon the principle that a *knowledge of arithmetic* is the chief, and about the only thing necessary in a common school education. In one school containing more than the average of larger pupils, there was no class in English grammar. Your committee are well aware of the importance of arithmetic to the farmers on our granite hills, but they believe attention might be given to other branches, without any detriment to mathematical instruction. We believe that every child ought to be taught the elements of language, geography and history, and that to neglect such instruction will eventually bring disastrous results.

Dictionaries should be far more common in our schools. Every child capable of reading intelligibly should have one. It is not more important to be able to speak a word than it is to understand its meaning. *Prudential Committees* have been very deficient in reporting the commencement of their schools to the Superintending Committee as they are by law required. Most of the teachers, if not all, have received their pay before they returned their Registers, and in some instances have altogether failed to do so. The law requires that they return them before they are entitled to pay for their services.

The Committee would urge upon their fellow citizens the importance of seeking to elevate the character of our common schools. To do this parents should take more interest in them and co-operate with teachers in maintaining good order, and in punctual attendance. Prudential Committees should aim to give employment to none but *well qualified* teachers; and those who prepare to teach should seek to derive to themselves the advantages of attending the sessions of the Teachers' Institute. As the several towns in the county are taxed for the support of the Institute in order to provide facilities for the better qualification of teachers, we recommend that those who attend the sessions of the Institutes should as a general rule receive the preference as teachers.

The amount of money expended by the town upon our schools shows the importance of effort by every citizen to make these schools more profitable.

In giving a detailed account of the several schools, we propose to mention the amount of money appropriated by the selectmen to each district, hoping it will lead the citizens in the several districts to take more pains in expending it.

The whole amount of School Tax assessed is \$1358.00. Amount of money received from Literary Fund \$165.53. Amount derived from the school fund of the town \$173.55. Total amount divided among the different districts \$1697.08. It may be thought that this is a large sum to expend for education in a single year. Be it so! Is there any property more safely invested than that which is expended in cultivating the mind? Is there any that yields a richer return in all that is really valuable? If so we know not where. We know not how it can be better expended to thwart the blighting curse of ignorance and its natural ally, despotism—to strengthen, invigorate and develop the powers of our children, than in sustaining the district schools.

We ask the attention of parents to their district schools, because not only the intellectual but the moral character there receives lasting impressions. Not only does the child show there the kind of education that he receives at home, but he there acquires habits which will develop themselves at home, and perhaps for years in after life. The school should be a model of propriety; good order and good manners should be carefully inculcated. The seeds of vice like those of noxious weeds will appear, and if we would prevent their luxuriating in a soil so precious as the hearts of our children, we must prevent their growth.

REPORT OF DISTRICTS.

DISTRICT No. 1.—Amount of money appropriated, \$63,12. *Summer Term* taught by Miss Sarah P. Comerford, nine weeks. This was a quiet little school and appeared well at commencement. The visit at close was unavoidably omitted, but presume commendable advancement was made. *Winter Term*—Miss Sophia Leary, teacher; nine weeks. This was a good school. Order and quiet reigned throughout. Good advancement was made.

No. 2.—Amount of money appropriated \$78,12. *Summer Term* only of 16 weeks; taught by Miss Ann E. Forest. This was a good school, the teacher possessing a happy talent for interesting her pupils; good progress made.

No. 4—Amount of money appropriated \$125,82. *Summer Term*. Miss Z. A. Elkins, teacher; 12 weeks. This is a large school, mostly made up of small scholars, consequently the order not so good as desirable, though some progress was perceptible in some branches of study. *Winter Term* was taught by Miss Oriette Whidden; ten weeks. A little more attention to little things, especially in the elements would have added to the profit of the school. Commendable zeal was manifest on the part of the teacher, and good progress was made in arithmetic and geography.

No. 5.—Amount of money \$84,27; Miss Phebe Ann Wadleigh, teacher; ten weeks. A quiet school. A little more energy on the part of the teacher desirable. Order somewhat deficient. The school was not without profit. *Winter Term* was taught by Miss Sarah Colby; 10 weeks. This was a good school in the main; a lively interest on the part of both teacher and pupils was manifest. Good improvement was made.

No. 6—School money \$58,87. The *Summer Term* of six weeks and *Winter Term* of nine weeks, both taught by Miss Huldah Piper. The teacher was mild but efficient in government, earnest and thorough in her method of instruction. She is regarded as one of our best teachers. The school showed the results of her training by the progress made, especially in reading and arithmetic. Emphatically a good school.

No. 7—Money appropriated \$63,45. *Summer Term* Miss M. H. Mason, teacher; eight weeks. Full an average school; the teacher appeared to try to do her best, and not without considerable profit to her pupils. The *Winter Term* was taught by Miss Martha G. Philbrick; ten weeks. This was one of our best schools; perfect order and thoroughness in every branch of study were characteristic; the teacher seemed to know her business and execute it in a systematic manner—consequently the school was a profitable one and worthy of imitation.

No. 8—Amount of money \$72,95. The *Summer Term* was commenced by Miss E. L. B. Bodwell, but she was obliged to relinquish it at the end of the first week on account of sickness in her father's family. Miss M. G. Philbrick took charge and continued eight weeks; good order was maintained and the school made satisfactory progress. The winter term was kept ten and a half weeks by Mr Henry A. Lane; the appearances were favorable at the commencement; and had better order been maintained the school would have been more profitable; medium improvement.

No. 9—Money appropriated \$39,65. Miss Amanda M. Ingalls taught both terms; *Summer* fourteen weeks—*Winter* fifteen weeks. The school small, but the teacher was interested for its progress; she labored with zeal, perseverance and success to secure the attendance of some scholars in the district who would otherwise have wholly neglected the school, repeatedly going to their home and persuading them to go with her. The

school was characterised by good order, thoroughness of instruction and general progress.

No. 10—Amount of money \$47,76. There was but one term of fourteen weeks, taught by Miss Nancy J. Prescott. This is one of the smallest schools in town; it was visited at the commencement and found to be under the charge of an excellent teacher; a second visit was unavoidably prevented; but from the established reputation of the teacher and other sources of information, we have reason to believe it was a profitable school.

No. 11—Amount of money \$84,33. Miss Betsey Simonds taught the *Summer school* eight weeks; the school was backward but made fair progress. The *Winter Term* was kept eight and two thirds weeks, by Mr Nathaniel M. Colby; good order appeared, but the teacher was very deficient in attention to the elements. Method of teaching superficial; the regularity and punctuality of attendance on the part of the scholars worthy of commendation.

No. 12—School money \$66,13. Miss M. Ann Russell kept both *Summer* and *Winter Term*, seven and ten weeks. Miss R. has an established reputation as a superior teacher: there was uncommon thoroughness in drilling, especially in reading; The progress made was highly gratifying; order and government like *clock work*.

No. 13—Amount of money \$42,36. The *Summer Term* of five weeks and the *Winter Term* of six weeks were taught by Miss Susan M. Chase. The teacher possesses the happy faculty of quietly securing order. Instruction thorough and faithful. The closing examination gave evidence of excellent progress in all the branches taught. The school is now in excellent condition.

No. 14—Amount of money \$53,08. But one term fourteen weeks taught by Miss Ann E. Boutwell. The teacher labored with energy and perseverance; and as the closing examination showed, with excellent success. Good order, thoroughness, and great improvement were very manifest.

No. 15—Amount of money \$69,97. *Summer School* of seven weeks. Kept by Miss Nancy J. Prescott. Her reputation as teacher has already been mentioned. The school showed good discipline and improvement. The *Winter Term* of ten weeks was kept by Mr Sclon F. Hill. The teacher for so large a school needed more experience than Mr H. had had; there was a lack of careful attention to elementary principles; order appeared to be well maintained.

No. 16—Amount of money \$54,40. *Summer Term* was taught by Miss Sarah B. Hawkins and continued five and one half weeks. This school was much too short for so good a teacher; it cannot be expected great things could be accomplished in so short a time, as the pupils could make but little more than a beginning in so brief a period. *Winter School* eight weeks; Miss Lovina D. Watson teacher; as no notice was given of its close, it was visited but once, it appeared well at the commencement.

No. 17—School money \$57,31. Both terms seven weeks; each taught by Miss C. H. Hersey. She appeared to seek the advancement of her scholars, but did not maintain necessary order; consequently the school made but limited progress.

No. 18—Amount of money \$78,17. *Summer School* Miss E. L. Robinson teacher, eight weeks; thoroughness of instruction and animation on the part of the teacher were evident; a good school. *Winter Term* of only six weeks, was taught by Miss Mary A. Churchill; insubordination on the part of some of the older if not larger scholars marred the progress very much; it is hoped that parents will so govern their children at home that they will conduct themselves becomingly at school and thereby save lost money and credit in future.

No. 19.—Amount of money 104,29. *Summer Term.* Miss Mary Colby taught nine weeks; the teacher was very young and inexperienced for such a school. The committee thinks she endeavored to discharge her duty faithfully, but the disorderly conduct of some of her pupils tried her patience and greatly exhausted her energies; there was however some progress. *Winter Term.* Daniel C. Woodman teacher; twelve weeks. The improvement in arithmetic and geography was *very good*; the class in grammar did not appear to great advantage; the reading was natural and easy.

No. 20.—Amount of money 94,74. The Summer Term of nine weeks was taught by Miss Maria D. Clisby. The teacher was thorough and energetic; as the result, order and excellent progress were observable in the school. But few schools have been so successful and satisfactory to the district.—*Winter Term* taught by Mr John B. Woodman eleven weeks; very good satisfaction was given; it is thought the teacher spared no effort, and the progress of the school in all branches was quite commendable. This school is improving; there was deficiency in the elements as well as in pronouncing syllables; order quite improved.

No. 21.—Amount of money \$62,14. This school had a *Fall* and *Winter Term* of eleven weeks, taught by Mr Cyrus R. Corliss; the scholars appeared to take much interest in the exercises of the school, and your committee believes the school was quite successful; the teacher evidently labored well to advance his pupils.

No. 22.—Amount of money \$51,72. This school had only a *Winter Term* of eleven and a half weeks; taught by Miss Angelina B. Colby; the teacher succeeded in interesting her scholars, though the school was altogether too small for great interest; good improvement was made.

No. 24.—Amount of money \$44,37. A *Summer* and *Fall Term* of weeks was taught by Miss Sarah Colby, with very good success; good order and improvement were manifest; this school is too small for great enthusiasm.

No. 25.—Amount of money \$44,54. *Summer Term* taught by Miss Angelina B. Colby; the school appeared well at the commencement, and it was thought commendable progress would be made. *Winter Term* of seven weeks was taught by Miss P. A. Wadleigh; there did not appear to be so much interest in the school at the first as is desirable; owing to unavoidable circumstances these schools were not visited a second time.

No. 27.—Amount of money \$42,95. *Winter Term* only; was taught by Miss Maria D. Clisby, and continued eleven weeks. This was a fine little school, with an admirable teacher at its head; excellent order and thoroughness in teaching characterised it throughout; in short a *modelschool*.

No. 28.—Amount of money \$71,11. This school was taught by Miss Oriette Whidden sixteen weeks; contentment seemed to manifest itself in this little school, and grand progress was made, especially in arithmetic.

No. 29.—Amount of money \$26,82. *Winter Term* only; Miss Lucy Hill, teacher; length five weeks; this school appeared well at its commencement, and from a knowledge of the teacher's success in other schools we have no doubt it was beneficial, but as no notice of its close was given, it was visited but once.

All which is submitted.

J. Q. A. WARE.
JAMES BOUTWELL.
CYRUS K. KELLEY.

Sanbornton, March 1, 1856.

Superintending Committee.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29	No. scholars in dis. over 4 at'ng not less than 2 weeks.	Those over 4 att'ng in Summer not less than 2 weeks.	Those over 4 att'ng in Winter not less than 2 weeks.	Average attendance Scholars in Summer Schools.	Average attendance Scholars in Winter Schools.	Those over 16 att'ng not less than 2 wks.	Those bet'n 4 & 14 not atten'g school.	Those between 14 & 21 who cannot read or write.
21	19	19	19	15	16	3	4	
48	35			27			1	
3								
61	52	51	36	48	1			
24	22	20	14 4-5	17				
46	29	30	27	27				
39	26	30	23	27				
24	24	30	21	25				
29	17	30	13	23				
17	13		10		2			
41	23	23	19	19				
32	22	20	18	18				
26	19	19						
20	16		11 5-7	11 5-7				
44	33	43	28	35	4		2	
33	31	30	27	25				
23	21	19	16	16				
38	23	29	17	25				
51	43	47	31	45				
65	48	47	35	35				
27		26		19				
12		14		8				
15		18		10				
14	14		11					
31	20	23	16	17	1			
6								
26	26		20	8	3	4		
12	12		12					

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